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| 9 | UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE |
| 10 11 12 | UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff, NO. CR06-431 RSM |
| 13 14 15 | V. HONG VAN NGUYEN, LONG DUY TRAN, and ROY MITCHELL, ORDER CONTINUING TRIAL DATE |
| 16 | Defendants.) |
| 17 | THIS MATTER comes before the Court upon a joint motion by the United |

and the defendants for a continuance of the trial date. Having considered the entirety of the records and file herein, the Court rules as follows:

The ends of justice served by the granting of a continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendants in a speedy trial. This case is unusually complex, and all parties request a continuance to allow additional time to prepare for trial. The investigation involved the court-authorized interception of several telephones, and over 20 search warrants. Most of the intercepted calls were in Vietnamese. The discovery is extensive. Defendants Nguyen and Tran are charged in the related case with a trial date in April 2007. The government intends to seek a superseding indictment in

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that related case, which will merge the two cases. The defendants have agreed to waive their speedy trial rights. 2 The court finds that the time period between the filing of this motion and the new 3 trial date is excludable time under the Speedy Trial Act, Title 18 U.S.C. §3161, pursuant 4 to Sections 3161(h)(8)(A) (continuance requested by parties), 3161(h)(8)(B)(I) (failure to 5 grant continuance would result in a miscarriage of justice), and 3161(h)(8)(B)(ii) (unusual 6 or complex case). 7 Trial of this matter is continued until February 26, 2007. Motions shall be due no 8 later than February 2, 2007. 9 DATED this _23_ day of January, 2007. 10 11 12 13 RICARDO S. MARTINEZ 14 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE 15 Presented by: 16 s/Douglas B. Whalley 17 DOUGLAS B. WHALLEY **Assistant United States Attorney** 18 United States Attorney's Office 700 Stewart Street, Suite 5220 19 Seattle, WA 98101-1271 20 (206) 553-4882, Fax: (206) 553-4440 E-mail: douglas.whalley@usdoj.gov 21 Washington State Bar #4625 22 23 24 25 26 27

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